## **Home Buying Process Simplified**

- 1. Choose a trustworthy realtor.
- 2. Select a lender.
- 3. Determine your down payment amount.
- 4. Consider loan options (FHA, VA, Conventional).
- 5. Get a pre-approval letter from lender.
- 6. Begin house hunting.
- 7. Choose a home and make an offer.
- 8. Negotiate with seller, if necessary.
- If seller accepts offer, you may probably be required to put earnest money in escrow until closing.
- 10. Enter contract with seller.
- 11. Begin mortgage application with lender.
- 12. Get inspection and appraisal of property.
- 13. Mortgage will be approved or denied.
- 14. Title process will begin to check for liens against property.
- 15. Purchase homeowners insurance.
- 16. Prepare for closing and final walkthrough of property.
- 17. Sign closing docs and loan documents.
- 18. Get the keys to your new home.